Athletics Move Ahead of Detroit into Third

A's Surprise Team of Season

Cards, Phils Split; Brooklyn Beats Reds

(Associated Press)

The 1947 major league season produced many surprises, but most confounding of all has been the amazing brand of baseball produced by the Philadelphia Athletics.

Picked almost unanimously by expert to finish a solid last in the American League race, Connie Mack's commiserated athletes climaxed a stubborn fight to stay in the first division Friday by wresting third place away from the Detroit Tigers.

The Mackmen are only a game and a half behind the defending champion Boston Red Sox who occupy second place 13 games ahead of the league-leading New York Yankees.

One of the reasons for the A's surprising showing has been the fine work of their young pitchers, Bob Coleman, Carl Scheib and Lou McCahan. Another has been the great all-around playing of rookie first baseman Ferris Fain and outfielder Barney McCosky.

Slugger Hurt

McCahan, McCosky and Fain celebrated Thursday night to lift the A's to an 8-5 victory over the Browns in St. Louis.

The Brooklyn Dodgers gained a game on the St. Louis Cardinals and increased their National League lead to five full games by defeating the Cincinnati Reds 8-1 in Ebbets Field while the Cards were held to a split in a double header in Philadelphia.

The Cards not only lost ground to the Dodgers but also lost the services of their star outfielder Enos Slaughter, who was carried off the field on a stretcher with a concussion. He collided with shortstop Bernie Creger.

The Phils, behind lefty Oscar 述 won the opener 9-2, but the Reds came back to win the nightcap 13-3.

Yanks Lose Two

The third place Boston Braves moved within six and a half games of first by taking the measure of the Chicago Cubs twice in Boston 8-2 and 6-4. Johnny Sain of Boston set some kind of a record for pitchers when he singled as a pinch hitter to extend his consecutive hitting string to 14 games.

The Yankees moved 13 games ahead of the Red Sox by defeating the Indians 9-3 in a night game in Cleveland. Billy Johnson banged four hits in five times at bat including a home run to make things easy for Pitcher Floyd Bevens.

The White Sox nipped the Red Sox 1-2 in Chicago staving off a ninth inning threat when Dom DiMaggio slammed into a game-ending double play.

Washington snapped its 11-game losing streak with a vengeance as they thumped the Tigers twice in Detroit 3-2 and 5-3. The double win followed a players' show of confidence after Manager Joe Bluege after reports of a split between players and Bluege.

The New York Giants won over Pittsburgh 4-1 at the Polo Grounds on Clint Hartung's two-hitter.

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Victory Supervisor Captures Clay Shoot; Scores Post Scores

MANDALIA, O., Aug. 22—(U.P.)—Paul Doughman, Morrow, O., factory supervisor, Friday won the North American clay target championship, a feature event of the 42nd National trapshooting tournament.

O. Lee Braun, Dallas, Tex., won a pro race in the North America to be defeated J. B. Greer, Wilmington, Del., in a shoot-off of a 200 tie.

Oregon scores fired in the 48th North American preliminary handicap, with handicap yardage included: Robert L. Ray, Eugene, 22-93; C. D. Ray, Eugene, 19-91; Ruth Ray, Eugene, 19-85; Edward K. Baker, Eugene, 22-80; Harry Hanson, Eugene, 18-94; and Baldridge, Springfield, 19-

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Davis Cup Doubles Set by Americans

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass., Aug. 22—(U.P.)—All foreign seeded teams, including Australia's four Davis Cup players, were eliminated today as six top-ranking American teams and two dark horse pairs swept quarter-final honors of the 68th annual National men's tennis tourney at Longwood Cricket club.

Gene Talbert of Wilmington, last year's co-champion in 1946, and Bill Talbert of Australia netted the upset of the day as they ousted seeding foreigners John Bromwich and Colin Long of Australia in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4, 8-6.

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Extra-Base Blows Feature WIL Action

(United Press)

Spokane, Bremerton and Victoria trotted out the extra base blow Thursday night to keep in the tight Western International League pennant chase with the Canadians hurdling over into third place.

At least six circuit clouts soared over the outfield barriers throughout the league as Spokane dropped Wenatchee 8-4, Bremerton mauled Tacoma 5-3 and Victoria edged Vancouver 13-12. Yakima collected 15 bingles to blast Seattle 13-4.

KENNY KING, left, and Everett Spaulding display their wares—procurred over on the coast.

FISH TALES

By BILL LOVE

While the boss has slipped off for a few days of well-deserved vacation life, and a little angling of his own, we'll pass on a couple, three bits of fishing information which floated into the office during his absence.

Most reports regard fishing as rather poor throughout the state, recently, but two local McKenzier River boat guides ran into a run of salmon-trout while fishing one of the coastal streams, and did all right as the above picture indicates.

Kenny King and Everett Spaulding both got the limit of 10 fish last Tuesday, using a royal coachman fly. The salmon-trout measure from 12 to 18 inches, and they seem to be plentiful in the coastal waters at present.

The two boys also did all right on the Willamette last Saturday—bagging the limit of rainbows.

Bob Kyle at Florence adds a little more on the salmon-trout picture over on the coast, plus a roundup of the fishing in general.

"Trout fishing in the lakes on the Oregon Coast has been attracting many sportsmen this week. Limit catches of salmon trout have been taken from Sutton, Mercer and Siltcoos lakes. The best gear has been spinners, preferably Doc Shelton and Ford Fenders. Sutton Lake, just seven miles north of Florence has been very popular for bate fishing. They are catching some big ones around the outlet and on the west side of the lake.

"Numerous anglers have been enjoying the last good days of river fishing on the Alsea and Siuslaw. The Bluebacks are still biting good in the upper waters of these rivers and the salmon are starting to hit in the lower waters. Several 'silversides' have been caught at Florence in the Siuslaw with copper spinner and triple feathered hooks.

"At Winchester Bay and Coos Bay the weather has been so moderate that the sport fishermen have been going out over the bar in their small boats and really getting some fish. One party at Coos Bay Monday motored out over the bar, as calm as a lake, and caught seventeen salmon in three hours. It's dangerous business, however; these bars on the Oregon Coast can turn up a wicked break with the change of wind or tide.

"Plugging for those big, black bass continues to be a favorite sport for many anglers. Some enormous fish have been caught in Mercer Lake this week. Sutton and Siltcoos are good fishing lakes, too.

"The good weather has brought many 'surf and rock' fishermen to the coast. Fishing is good at the Alsea and Siuslaw jetties and along the rocks between Yachats and Heceta Lighthouse.

"The Yachats River, Cummins Creek, Ten Mile and Cape Creek are good for your limit of trout with a small spinner and white bait. These streams are all north of Florence."

Two brothers, George and Bob Rieck of Rt. 5, are travelling the skyline trail from Brietenbush Lake to Crater Lake. They started their little jaunt on August 3, and are nearing their destination. Last report from them, at the McKenzie Pass, gave a brief indication of the lake fishing in the Cascades.

They found fishing pretty good at most of the lakes, except Marion and Pamelia. At Breitenbush and Russell lakes, eastern brook were hitting large Doc Shelton's and Ford Fender's with worms—both early and late. They had no luck with a fly there. More eastern brooks were hitting spinner and worms, and black gnat flies on Hunts and Hanks Lakes. The same luck with a black gnat fly and a Doc Shelton continued in most of the other lakes the two boys fished on their journey.

Kyle also reports the approaching date of the Siuslaw Salmon Derby, September 13 to October 26. He states that already several good catches of silversides have been made on the river. Fishing boats coming into the port report large schools of silversides lying off the coast so one of the finest seasons in history appears in the offing.

Weekly prizes for both men and women will be awarded and the grand prize will be worth a total of over $600. The prize consists of a Kelly boat with trailer and new Mercury engine.

Kyle, who runs the Northwest Sporting Goods Store and whose business is sponsoring the derby, informs that tickets will be on sale at Hendershotts and Troehs after Tuesday of next week, and at his store in Florence.

Baseball

Brooklyn	73	47	.608
St. Louis	67	51	.568
Boston	66	53	.555
New York	59	55	.518
Cincinnati	58	64	.475
Chicago	52	66	.441
Pittsburgh	50	68	.424
Philadelphia	48	69	.410

AMERICAN	W	L	Pct.
New York	76	45	.655
Boston	61	51	.545
Philadelphia	62	55	.530
Detroit	60	54	.526
Cleveland	58	55	.513
Chicago	54	53	.482
Washington	48	66	.421
St. Louis	41	76	.350

COAST	W	L	Pct.
Los Angeles	81	64	.559
San Francisco	78	69	.530
Portland	72	69	.511
Oakland	72	69	.511
Seattle	71	74	.490
San Diego	68	76	.472
Hollywood	67	77	.465
Sacramento	67	77	.465

WIL	W	L	Pct.
Spokane	77	57	.575
Bremerton	78	57	.571
Victoria	75	60	.556
Salem	71	58	.550
Vancouver	69	62	.535
Tacoma	63	69	.477
Yakima	52	85	.384
Wenatchee	45	86	.344

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Stanford Student Cops Second Hearst Trophy

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 22—(U.P.)—Bob Rosburg of San Francisco, 20-year-old Stanford University student, Friday took home the second annual Hearst junior golf championship trophy.

He also was given a new set of match woods he said he would use to tune for the U. S. amateur at Pebble Beach, Cal., Sept. 8-13.

Rosburg was five under par for 27 holes when he defeated Bill Sterrit, 18, of Los Angeles, 11 and 9 Thursday in the 36-hole final round over the California Country Club course.

Relay Mark Shattered

HONOLULU, Aug. 22—(U.P.)—A new world record in the 400-meter relay was set Thursday night by a quartet from three midwest universities in the Keo Nakama invitational swimming meet at Waikiki natatorium here.

The mark of 3 minutes, 55.7 seconds was made by Bill Smith, Ohio State; Dick Weinberg, Michigan; Hal Hirose, Ohio State, and Wally Ris, Iowa.

Miller's Meet Braves Tonight

If the league-leading Miller Lumbermen win their scheduled game with the Snellstrom Braves Friday night at Civic Stadium, they will be assured of at least a first place tie in the second-half Cascade League race. Game time Friday is 8:30.

After the Friday game, the Lumbermen will close the regular season against the Champion Hills Creek Billies. Miller's has a win-loss record of six an one, and Hills Creek's record is five wins and two set-backs — with two games left.

Dierickx Likely Starter

The only possibility of a first place tie, if Miller's win Friday, is for Hills Creek to dump the last-place Reds and to win the second-half finale from the Lumbermen. This would give both teams a record of seven wins and two defeats.

Manager Ray Miller will probably send his new mound expert, Frank Dierickx, against the Braves Friday night. The ex-Portland Braves hurler made an impressive mound debut last week when he hurled the Lumbermen to a 13-0 shutout over the Billies, allowing four scattered hits.

Salmon Out

Bill Hanauska will probably be Manager Al Lightner's choice to work on the hill for the first-half winners. If Hanauska is not ready, Red Miller, the veteran Port-sider, will probably get the nod.

The Braves will be without the services of Slugging Woody Salmon again, and Del Koch will probably fill in behind the bat. Salmon suffered a shoulder injury early in the second half, and he is resting for the important play-off games that begin Aug. 29.

Probable starting lineups:

SNELLSTROM	MILLER'S
Kirsch, 2b	ss, Fortier
Reynolds, 3b	lf, Hamel
Flager, ss	cf, Carney
Shinn, rf	c, Adams
Smith, 1b	rf, Bubalo
P. Taylor, lf	3b, Gambit
Koch, c	1b, Loafman
Lightner, cf	2b, Moye
Hanauska, p	p, Dierickx

Umpires—Henry Coghlan, plate; Charles Christensen, field.

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Harrison, Salt Laker Pace Reno Open Field

RENO, Nev., Aug. 22—(AP)—The veteran trouper, E. J. "Dutch" Harrison of York, Pa., and lanky John Geertsen, of Salt Lake City, paced the field Friday as the finest collection of par-crackers assembled in several weeks, began the second round of the $15,000 72-hole Reno Open golf tournament.

Harrison, a late entry in the event, took to pieces the Washoe County course of 6611 yards. He covered the 36-36 test in 32-34 for six under par. Matching him, Geertsen walloped out 33-33.

Treading on the heels of the co-leaders was tall Ellsworth Vines of Los Angeles, with a 67. The former National amateur and pro tennis champion who found golf more lucrative while less arduous, put together a 33-34.

The American PGA title-holder, Jim Ferrier, of San Francisco, was close up as the second round shooting began with a 68 compiled with nines of 33-35. Skip Alexander of Lexington, N.C., conquered the wind with a 32-37—69 and Jimmy Clark, Huntington Beach, Calif., scored 37-32-69.

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Curtis, Helser Battle For 100 Meter Title To Feature AAU Swim

CHICAGO, Aug. 22—(U.P.)—Ann Curtis, shapely San Francisco mermaid representing the Crystal Plunge team stepped down from her throne as national AAU senior women's 1500 meter free style tilist to compete for the coveted 100 meter championship Friday at Washington Park pool as the 32nd annual meet got under way.

Miss Curtis' chief opponent will be Brenda Helser, Los Angeles, the 1946 champion. Miss Helser holds the American record for the 100 meter at 1:05.8, but Miss Curtis is National indoor champion at 100 yards, slightly shorter, with a time of 59.4.

Two American titlists will defend their crowns in other events on the program. Nancy Merki, Portland, Ore., will attempt to hold the medley crown, while Suzanne Zimmerman, also of Portland was favored to retain the 200 meter backstroke.

Angels Beaten By Oaks, 8 to 2

Portland Edges Sacs, 3-1; Tied for Third

(Associated Press)

Whoever staggers to the Pacific Coast League pennant—an that might not be Los Angeles—may come home with the lowest winning percentage racked up by a top club in this loop.

The Angels' 8-2 defeat by Oakland which trimmed their lead to a 4½ games also slashed their percentage to .559.

This would be the lowest winning mark since Portland's .549 in 1936. The league low for a pennant club is Seattle's .545 in 1924.

Bearden Allows 13 Hits

The obstreperous Oaks again unloaded the heavy artillery, including a three-run homer by Charley Workman, to drub the leaders a second straight night. Gene Bearden was touched for 13 Angel hits, but was stingy in the clutches.

Making it three in a row over Hollywood, San Francisco's sassy Seals routed two star pitchers, Joe Krakauskas and Clint Hufford, with nine runs on eight hits including Hugh Luby's full-house triple in the fifth. That made it 10-0 and the Seals coasted to win, 10-7, despite three Hollywood homers, including Tony Lupien's 19th.

West Hits 34th

Portland remained in a third place tie with Oakland, seven games off the faltering pace, by edging Sacramento, 3-1. The Beavers made the most of six hits, while the old submariner, Ad Liska, was scattering 10 by the Solons.

Homers by Max West—the loop leader's 34th—and by Pitcher Tommy Seats—gave the San Diego Padres a 5-2 victory over Seattle and vaulted the Padres into sixth place, while Hollywood and Sacramento slid back into joint possession of the cellar.

Scores:

		R	H	E
Los Angeles	100 000 001—	2	13	0
Oakland	010 004 30x—	8	11	1

Fleming, Baker (8) and Malone, Sarni (8); Bearden and Raimondi.

		R	H	E
San Francisco	100 000 000—10	11	0	
Hollywood	000 002 311— 7	10	2	

Lien, Rosso (8) and Gladd; Krakauskas, Hufford (5), Seward (5), Paynter (8) and Unser.

		R	H	E
San Diego	000 101 200— 5	14	2	
Seattle	010 000 001— 2	7	1	

Seats and Kerr, Rice 7); Mann, Beasley (8) and Sueme.

		R	H	E
Sacramento	001 000 000— 1	10	1	
Portland	000 002 01x— 3	6	0	

Holcombe, Smith (7) and Fitzgerald; Liska and Silvera.

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Babes to Use Dowdy Against Sweet Home

Gordon Wright's Hills Creek Babes tackle the Sweet Home Cardinals at Civic Stadium Saturday night, at 8:30 p. m., in the first game of the two-out-of-three series for the Linn-Lane League title.

Both teams will be at full strength for the tussle—which looks like a tossup. The Cardinals had to sweat out a tough season before edging out the Junction City Reds in the Northern Division of the circuit for the right to meet the Babes—who had a little easier time of it, although pressed by the Giustina 'B's and Yoncalla throughout the latter part of the race.

The Babes—composed largely of youngsters the Hills Creek Billies of the Cascade League hope to develop for their use in the years to come—will have young John Dowdy, former Pleasant Hill High all-around athlete on the hill in the first game. Bobo Clingman will be behind the bat, with John Eckstrom on first, Pete Kimball on second, Ed Dowdy at short, and Don Kimball holding down the hot corner. Dan Graham and Al Lindley will compose two-thirds of the outfield, with the other starter uncertain.

Sweet Home brings a veteran aggregation here for the contest, although its main attraction, Duane Brightwell, is gone. Harlan Shortreed will probably start on the mound, with Hal Wiley behind the plate.

Walt Miller is the leading hitter, with a .371 average, and will be in the outfield. Pete Huffman, regular first-baseman, is another big stick for Sweet Home, and also takes a turn on the hill when needed.

Nichols in Title Bout Saturday; Three Other Events on Mat Card

COMPLETE PROGRAM

Main event—Herb Parks vs. Jackie Nichols (Pacific Coast Junior-heavyweight title match).

Semi-final — Sugi Hayamaki vs. Pierre LaBelle.

Special—Al Szasz vs. Tony Ross.

Opener—Bill Murray vs. Jack Poppenheimer.

Referee—Ernie Piluso.

A four-star mat card—no less—is in the books for Don Owen's weekly grappling patrons at the Armory Saturday night.

Topping the card is a Pacific Coast Junior-heavyweight match between Champion Herb Parks and a sensational young newcomer from Boston, Jackie Nichols.

Sugi Hayamaki, the talented Oriental, and Pierre LaBelle will fight the semi-final.

A special match, preceding the semi-final, will be held between Al Szasz and Tony Ross.

Murray in Opener

In the opener Bill Murray, the young Canadian who has been in retirement the past two months to improve his style, will meet Jack Poppenheimer.

Parks figured that now would be the safest time to meet the Bostonian. After seeing him perform last week when he disposed of Jack Kiser in two straight falls the Canadian champ figured he'd better take Nichols on before too much was found out about his style. Besides, Herb has a challenge issued to him by Joe Lynam in a couple of weeks that he wants to keep.

Special Attractive

Nichols, a cleanie, works with a very effective combination hammer and face lock that he claims has never been broken in 300 matches. After seeing him perform last week many local rail-birds predict a new coast champ following the match.

The special appears to be an attractive match with Ross, furious because of his fast-fading reputation certain to go all out to gain a victory over the ever-popular Szasz.

The semi-final will be a "dinger" also with the two apt to go at it and "shoot the works" Hayamaki is mighty tough to beat, especially when he resorts to jiu-jitsu and will be gunning for a win in order to gai a shot at a title match. LaBelle will be a good opponent for him, possessing plenty of ring savvy and having a good record also.

Bears, Stars Play Tonight

CHICAGO, Aug. 22—(U.P.)—George Halas' Chicago Bears, never a loser in five appearances in the annual college all-star game, go for another victory in the 14th annual affair Friday night.

The Bears were favored at two or three to one to win the game again. In points, the National football league team was given a 7½ edge.

Halas was known to want to win the match to regain the prestige of the pro league, whose 1945 champion, the Los Angeles Rams, took a 16 to 0 lacing from the All Stars last year.

Coach Frank Leahy's crew, more than 60, prepared for the brawl at Northwestern's Dyche Field in nearby Evanston. However, such name stars as Glenn Davis, Army; Bob Fenimore, Oklahoma Aggies; Julie Rykovich, Illinois, and others were injured early in the training program and definitely will be out of the game.

In addition, Charlie Trippi, an All-American from Georgia, and Doc Blanchard, Army's great fullback, reported late and it was doubtful whether either could learn the plays before game time.

Meanwhile, the Notre Dame mentor placed his greatest confidence in lightweight Buddy Young, the Negro speedster from Illinois who ranks among the fastest in the country in a football suit.

More than 103,000 fans were expected to pack Soldiers' Field for the scrap.

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Diamond Dusters

JOE GORDON (Cleveland Indians)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
400	65	104	.260	236	349	11	.962

BOBBY DOERR (Boston Red Sox)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
411	79	103	.251	262	329	13	.976

FORD MULLEN (Portland Beavers)

AB	RBI	H	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
194	15	63	.325	126	167	8	.973

WHAT THEY DID THURSDAY

	AB	RBI	H	PO	A	E
Gordon	3	0	1	2	8	0
Doerr	4	0	0	1	4	2

California Brother Combine Seek Midget Laurels Saturday

Two of California's best midget drivers will make an appearance at the Fairgrounds Saturday night when the Muir boys attempt to show the Northwest drivers how to bring home the bacon. Stan and John Muir have recently pulled up North from Los Angeles, where they have set the tracks ablaze.

But the Californians aren't scaring the regular Northwest crop a bit, and Bob Gregg, Louis Sherman, Ron Odne, and the rest intend to do just what they have been doing in the past—walk off with most of the honors.

Manager Jim Ryan reported Thursday that the track is like glass—repacked all the way, and will be ready for the roughest beating the drivers can hand out. And they will have their dirt-track tires on, too—which means they'll be taking more chances with their better grip.

Ryan stated that Frankie McGowan's car will be here and in top shape for this week's show. McGowan had an accident the Thursday before last Saturday in Portland, and couldn't get parts to make an appearance here. But he'll be here this Saturday—having obtained parts from California.

Les Anderson—another popular Portland driver—hopes to be ready for Saturday, too. His car is on the 'bum,' and while parts haven't arrived as yet from California, he has hopes of obtaining them in time for the races.

The rest of the boys will all be back, and Gordy Youngstorm will have dirt-tires on his famed "Offy," which should provide the traction to operate on.

The meet is sanctioned by the Oregon Midget Racing Assn., and will again be sponsored by the local VFW chapter. Arrangements have been made for increased ticket-selling facilities, and fans can be assured of an even better show than last week's. Time trials will start at 7:30 p.m., with the races at 8:30. At least four heat dashes, a helmet dash, and two main events—the A and B—will be held.

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